CLEAN VERSION OF THE AMENDED CLAIMS

3. A method for operating a coin operated entertainment automat comprising

inserting payment into an automatic entertainment automat;

activating a game time after receiving the payment by the automatic entertainment machine;

randomly drawing all cards;

determining if a game time has ended;

displaying the winning values in case the game time has ended;

determining if a key has been depressed in case the game time has not yet ended;

determining if the depressed key is a hand out key or a hold key in case a key had been depressed;

randomly drawing cards not being held in case the hand out key had been depressed;

holding cards in case the hold key had been depressed;

actualize the intermediate state;

determining if a certain winning combination had been reached;

randomly drawing again all cards if the certain winning combination had

been reached;

determining again if the game time has ended if the certain winning combination had not been reached.